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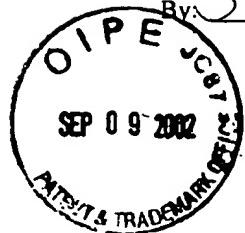
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| In Re:      | Patent Application of<br>Mariko Miyashita <i>et al.</i>   | : | Group Art Unit: 1641                            |
| Conf. No.:  | 3194  | : |   |
| Appln. No.: | 09/420,719  | : | Examiner: K. Padmanabhan                        |
| Filed:      | October 20, 1999  | : |   |
| For:        | SAMPLE TREATING KIT AND SAMPLE<br>TREATING METHOD USING THE SAME<br>FOR ANALYSIS WITH A BIOSENSOR | : | Attorney Docket<br>No. 10059-308<br>(P21541-01) |

**AFTER FINAL REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

This is a request under 37 CFR 1.114 for continued examination (RCE) of the above identified application in response to the Office Action mailed April 3, 2002 (Paper No. 15). Enclosed are the following in support of the RCE under 37 C.F.R. 1.114:

- Enter the unentered Amendment previously filed on June 27, 2002 under 37 CFR 1.116 in the above application.
- A Supplemental Amendment
- An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO/SB/08A and cited references.
- New formal drawings.
- A Petition for Extension of Time to September 3, 2002 for the pending application.
- Other:

The following fees are enclosed:

- RCE fee of \$740.00 required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e).
- Extension of time fee in the amount of \$400.00 (2 months)

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- Additional claim fees of &@ for excess claims submitted in the enclosed Amendment, calculated as follows:

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|  | CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT |  | HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>EXTRA | RATE         | ADDIT. FEE | RATE         | ADDITIONAL<br>FEE |
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- Firm checks totaling \$1140.00 are enclosed herewith.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (**Billing No. 210059.0308**). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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- Any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17.
- In the event that a Petition for Extension of Time is required, but not enclosed, please charge any extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to our Deposit Account noted above.

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